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In response to the Office Action mailed August 27, 2003, Applicant hereby elects Group III (Claim 9), with traverse, for prosecution in the above-identified application.

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